IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.K.DENESAN

TUESDAY, THE 27TH FEBRUARY 2007 / 8TH PHALGUNA 1928

WP(C).No. 2225 of 2007(M)

PETITIONER:

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1. K.K.GOPI,
   ASSISTANT ENGINEER, IRRIGATION SECTION,
   KORATTY, THRISSUR DISTRICT.

2. VISWANATH C.P.,
   ASSISTANT ENGINEER, LSGD, EZHUPUNNA GRAMA
   PANCHAYAT, ALAPPUZHA DISTRICT.

3. GOPINATHAN NAIR P.K.,
   ASSISTANT ENGINEER, MINOR IRRIGATION SECTION,
   MALA, THRISSUR DISTRICT.

BY ADV. DR.K.P.SATHEESAN
SRI.K.K.GOPINATHAN NAIR
SRI.K.K.RAJEEV

RESPONDENTS:

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1. STATE OF KERALA,
   REPRESENTED BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
   WATER RESOURCES (A) DEPARTMENT,
   GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE CONVENOR,
   DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTION COMMITTEE TO ASST.EXECUTIVE
   ENGINEERS, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT,
   GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
   IRRIGATION & ADMINISTRATION,
   THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVT. PLEADER SHRI. BIJOY CHANDRAN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 27/02/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K.K.DENESAN, J.

WP(C)No. 2225 OF 2007

Dated this the 27th February, 2007.

JUDGMENT

The petitioners belong to the cadre of Assistant Engineers. It is stated that by virtue of their seniority they will come within the field of choice for promotion to the post of Assistant Executive Engineer. They possess the requisite qualifications. There are vacancies in the post of Assistant Executive Engineer in the diploma quota. But their right to be considered for promotion is delayed, since steps have not been taken to convene the Department Promotion Committee.

2. Govt. Pleader on instruction submits that steps have already been taken to hold the meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee and that such meeting will take place within a reasonable time.

3. Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of directing the second respondent to take expeditious steps to see that the meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee for preparation of the select list of Assistant Engineers for promotion to the post of Assistant Executive Engineer for the year 2006 and 2007 is convened and appropriate measures taken for the preparation of the select list for diploma quota within one month from the

date of receipt of a copy of the judgment.

The petitioner shall produce a copy of the judgment before the second respondent for compliance.

K.K.DENESAN
Judge

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